

The Honorable William "Bill" Edwards, Mayor (present)
The Honorable Catherine F. Rowell, District 1, Mayor Pro Tem (present)
The Honorable Carmalitha Gumbs, District 2 Councilmember (present)
The Honorable Helen Z. Willis, District 3 Councilmember (present)
The Honorable Naeema Gilyard, District 4 Councilmember (present)
The Honorable Rosie Jackson, District 5 Councilmember (present)
The Honorable khalid kamau, District 6 Councilmember (present)
The Honorable Mark Baker, District 7 Councilmember (present)

SPECIAL CALLED MEETING MINUTES

1. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Edwards at 5:00pm.

2. Discussion on Waste and Recycling

Interim City Manager Ruth C. Jones introduced Purchasing Manager, Teresa Adams, who joined her in giving the presentation on Solid Waste and Recycling Services RFP. Interim City Manager gave a copy of the presentation to the Mayor and Councilmembers.

Interim City Manager Jones indicated that she had discussions with the current manager of the Fulton County Solid Waste Program and she received feedback from current providers in the business. A

meeting was also held with the prior Solid Waste Attorney for the City of Atlanta, Attorney Ward, whom she shared the City of South Fulton's draft "RFP" for Solid Waste and Recycling Services for input. Some of the suggested ideas and steps for writing the RFP include making sure it provides opportunities for small/local businesses.

- Councilmember Jackson expressed concern about illegal dumping.
- Councilmember Willis stated she met with the Purchasing Director last week in relation to billing/collection process for services to residents, so the City would not be liable for payment of service.
- Councilmember Gilyard requested the Interim City Manager to advise the City Council regarding the cost of this service, if it is provided directly by the City.
- Councilmember khalid asked if there was a way that the City of South Fulton could have a billing service specialist to work with the Fulton County Tax Commissioner on collection of payment for services. He also asked what legal course does the City/Provider have relating to the responsibility for payment of resident's who fail to pay for services.
- Councilmember khalid expressed concern about agreements being with the owner of the business or the owner of the building that the business sits in. Also, does the same rule apply to residential customers.
- Councilmember khalid asked if the Merk Road transfer station will be taken on by the selected provider, since it is currently owned by Fulton County.
- Councilmember khalid asked Council to consider solving the issue around commercial businesses releasing grease and the dissolving/recycling services of the same.
- Councilmember Gilyard emphasized the importance of realizing the cost involved in making a decision on how the billing process should be established.
- Councilmember Willis reminded Councilmembers that she submitted an Ordinance some time ago about establishing a senior discount.

- Councilmember Gumbs mentioned if any of the haulers would need to have specific certifications and the franchise fees being 5% across the board.
- Mayor Pro Tem Rowell expressed concern about the City's collection process and the cost involved.
- Councilmember Jackson wants the age of senior citizens to be included in any discounts.
- Mayor Edwards indicated there could be multiple zones and the establishment of separate fees for undeveloped/vacant lots. He would also like to deal with enforcement of unauthorized haulers.
- Mayor Pro Tem Rowell wants provision made for points for using local and small business.
- Councilmember Gumbs wants the issue of having numerous haulers within one neighborhood to be limited.
- Councilmember khalid indicated that if going with the 'zone system', a zone would have one (1) hauler and the larger the provider the cheaper the service. Also, give points to haulers that do not come extremely early in the morning and late at night to provide service.

The Interim City Manager then gave the timeline for moving forward with the "RFP" process.

3. Resolution to Adopt an Amended Pay and Class Scale for the City of South Fulton, Georgia, to approve the Human Resources Director's use thereof, and for various other purposes. (Res2017-062)

A motion was made by Councilmember Gumbs and seconded by Councilmember Gilyard to adopt/approve Res2017-062. The motion passed unanimously, 6-0-0. Councilmember khalid was away from the dais.

- 4. CLOSED Executive Session
 - Regarding Personnel related to the Transition of Services

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Rowell and seconded by Councilmember Gilyard to close for Executive Session to discuss personnel and legal issues. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0-0.

The meeting was closed for Executive Session at 5:55pm, and the Executive Session ended at 7:25pm.

IN OPEN SESSION:

Mayor Pro Tem Rowell called the meeting back to order.

A motion was made by Councilmember khalid and seconded by Councilmember Gilyard to close Executive Session. The motion passed unanimously, 6-0-0. Mayor Edwards and Councilmember Willis were away from the dais.

The City Clerk announced there was no action taken in Executive Session.

5. Adjournment

A motion was made by Councilmember khalid and seconded by Councilmember Gumbs to adjourn the meeting. The motion passed unanimously, 6-0-0. Mayor Edwards and Councilmember Willis were away from the dais.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:29pm.